

COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY COUNCIL  
CITY HALL - CITY OF LODI  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1948

Regular meeting beginning at 8:00 P.M. of Wednesday, September 15, 1948.

Councilmen Bull, Haskell, Lytle, Tolliver and Rinn (Mayor) present

Minutes of preceeding meeting of September 1, 1948 approved as written and mailed to each Councilman and the City Manager.

REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER -

BASEBALL PARK IMPROVEMENTS POSTPONED Mr H. D. Weller recommended that no immediate action be taken in regard to improvements at Lawrence Park Baseball Field awaiting a definite proposal from the baseball managers association.

ELLISON CARD LICENSE DENIED In the matter of the application of Manuel Ellison for a card and dice game license at 118 North Cherokee Lane: Mr Weller submitted a further report of M. L. Fore, Chief of Police affirming his first recommendation that no license issue for these premises. Recommendation approved.

SALARY & WAGE SCHEDULE APPROVED EFFECTIVE SEPT 1, 1948 At this time Mr Weller submitted mimeographed copies of a proposed Salary & Wage Schedule setting forth present and proposed pay ranges, having furnished copies of this schedule previously to each Councilman for study. Mr Weller emphasized that this schedule was not contemplated to raise salaries and wages but to readjust existing pay ranges and the intermediate steps. He proposed that when a probationary employee acquired permanent status, he automatically be raised to the next step in his salary range but that succeeding promotions in pay be based on merit as determined by the head of his department and confirmed by the City Manager. As regards persons employed on an hourly base, that the wage be increased to \$1.10 per hour and that they be employed for a forty hour week.

Also, that no employee would gain permanent status in the classification listed as submitted by reason of his position being mentioned therein.

On motion of Councilman Bull, Haskell second and carried without dissenting vote, the above recommendations of the City Manager were accepted, the heads of the various departments to fix the position of his employees in the various salary ranges on consultation with the City Manager and changes in salaries and wages affected thereby to be effective from and after September 1, 1948.

The Council then decided that no applications for appointment as Director of Finance would be received after September 30th.

ABATEMENT OF STADIUM TAX DEC 11, 1948 DENIED At this time, Mayor Rinn permitted members of a committee from Lodi District Chamber of Commerce to address the Council. Mr Winfield S. Montgomery, spokesman for this group, requested that the City Council waive collection of stadium tax for the football game sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce December 11, 1948. Councilman Bull suggested that if the Chamber failed to pay the expenses of this game from admissions, that they then apply for abatement of the tax. Other Councilmen concurring in this suggestion, it was moved by Councilman Haskell, Bull second, that the application be denied as not consistent with the City's adopted policy. Motion carried and so ordered.

SCHOKOS-SCHAUER RENTAL AGREEMENT RESCINDED Mr Archie Boyd then submitted a petition signed by persons residing in the neighborhood of "Salem School Grounds" protesting the Council's letting of a part of these grounds for transfer of grapes to highway trucks, alleging that this use would cause nuisance from odors and flies. Mr Boyd spoke at some length urging that the wishes of these people be respected. It was then moved by Councilman Haskell, Tolliver second, that the Council's action taken September 1, 1948 letting this ground to Schokos-Schauer Produce Company be rescinded. Motion carried.

(minutes of Sept 15, 1948, continued)

COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY COUNCIL  
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REFUSAL SITE  
TRENCHING  
APPROVED

At this time supervisor E. G. Stuckenbruck offered the use of San Joaquin County equipment to enlarge trenches at the Harney Lane Refuse Disposal Site in return for permission to County residents outside the City of Lodi to dispose of waste materials at this site, suggesting that the County might also be able to assist in constructing a road from the county highway to the disposal site. Proposal accepted details to be worked out between the City Manager, Mr Stuckenbruck and County Engineer Julius Manthey.

REMOVAL OF  
CHAMBER OF  
COMMERCE  
OFFICES

Mayor Rinn then read a letter from Northern San Joaquin County Chamber of Commerce, tenants of offices in the upper story of the City Hall for the past twenty years, thanking the City for its generosity, and stating that the Chamber offices would be moved to 204 West Pine Street between October 1st and 15th so as to allow the City use of this much needed space.

BUSINESS  
LICENSE  
APPLICATIONS

Business License Applications submitted September 1st were then submitted by City Manager Weller with the recommendation that all be granted as approved by the Chief of Police. So ordered. License applications received since September 1st to the present date were read and ordered referred to the Chief of Police in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 277

GEN. AM.  
PRECOOLING  
PERMIT

On application, General American Precooling was granted permission to use space along the North line of Railroad Avenue for car cooling during the present shipping season.

Mitchell & Koenig were granted permits to install four access driveways to their new garage and salesroom on the Northwest corner of Hutchins and Lockeford Streets at the locations shown on a sketch submitted by the City Manager, construction to be to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets. Motion Councilman Haskell, Bull second.

NAVAL ELECT-  
RONICS UNIT  
ELECTRIC  
RATE SET.

The Naval Electronics Unit, occupying property of the City at 320 North Stockton Street was granted a flat rate for electric energy of \$15.00 per month for an experimental period of three months as recommended by Superintendent Killelea and concurred in by the City Manager.

SIDEWALK  
REPAIRS

Mr Weller submitted an opinion of City Attorney Glenn West that the City had the power to order repair of damaged sidewalks and compel the abutting property owner to pay the costs thereof, requesting an expression of the City Council as to its future policy in this regard. No objection was made to accomplishing these repairs in this manner.

CLAIM OF  
MARIE S. COOK  
REJECTED

At this time, the verified claim of Marie S. Cook et al, for damages to the amount of \$50,700.00 arising out of the death of Howard Cook at Lake Park on July 11, 1948 as filed with the City Clerk September 3, 1948 was presented. Annexed thereto was an opinion of the City Attorney stating that this claim was in proper form and had been filed at the time and in the manner required by law. It was then moved by Councilman Tolliver, Lytle second, that this claim be rejected as the City had no liability therein, and that the same be referred to the City Attorney and to the City's insurance carrier, Hartford Accident and indemnity Company. Motion carried, all Councilmen voting in favor thereof.

CLAIMS  
ALLOWED

Claims as audited, including Payrolls of September 1, were allowed in the amount of \$

ORDINANCE  
NO. 375  
INTRODUCED

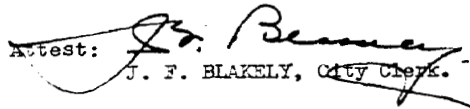
The Council then entered into a discussion of a proposed business license ordinance, copies of which had been submitted to each Councilman several weeks ago. In order to initiate action on such an ordinance and as not approving the rates therein, it was moved by Councilman Haskell, Bull second that ORDINANCE NO. 375, " LICENSING FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVENUE, CERTAIN PROFESSIONS, TRADES, BUSINESSES AND OCCUPATIONS IN THE CITY OF LODI " be introduced.

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Motion carried and mimeographed copies ordered made available to interested persons before the next regular meeting.

At 11:57 P.M. the City Council adjourned on motion of Councilman Tolliver.

Attest:

  
J. F. BLAKELY, City Clerk.

Copies of the above written minutes mailed to each Councilman and the City Manager prior to the date of the Council's next regular meeting.